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2. Modified Form 1449/PTO (1 page), in duplicate;
3. Copies of cited references A7-A24, and B10-B14;
4. Check #16562 for the amount of \$180.00; and
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Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants hereby make of record the documents listed on the attached modified Form PTO-1449, as well as copies of the listed documents.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the first Office Action but before the mailing date of either a final action under 37 C.F.R. §1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. §1.311. Accordingly, a fee of \$180 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) is enclosed.

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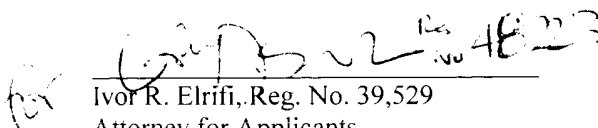
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**OTHER PRIOR ART - NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS**

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